# CELEBRATE HOUSTON: 175 HISTORY CRAWL

Saturday, October 29-Sunday, October 30

A diverse group of Houston non-profit organizations and governmental entities along with the Mayor's Office have come together to celebrate Houston's 175th birthday with **Houston 175: Celebrate History**. Houston 175 honors the city's anniversary with a weekend of activities and exhibits to remind Houstonians of their rich and colorful history. On Saturday, October 29, the public can attend for free the Houston History Crawl and visit all nine Houston: 175 exhibitions throughout downtown and other locations from 10:00am – 5:00pm.



## **EXHIBITIONS**

#### **ARCHITECTURE**

Curated for the Architecture Center Houston by Barrie Scardino, this exhibition will explore the history of Houston's built environment with hundreds of photographs organized in 10 clusters.

#### **ARTS**

Organized by Diane Barber of DiverseWorks with Mark Cervenka and Susan Baker, Portrait of Houston: 1900–2011 will feature the work of Houston-based artists who use Houston as their subject matter. Ancillary to the exhibition, DiverseWorks is working with artist Carrie Schneider to produce recorded tours called "Hear Our Houston." The third component of DiverseWorks' ambitious "celebration" is a film program at their flickerlounge co-presented with Aurora Picture Show. The program will be presented on October 29 and will feature short films from the Texas Archive of the Moving Image of historical and home movie footage from Houston and Texas with everything from a zookeeper that rides a zebra, a knife throwing family and informational videos about Houston.

#### COMMERCE

The Museum of Printing History is mounting a comprehensive exhibition featuring the history of commerce in Houston from early cotton and lumber, then oil, to the multi-faceted commercial interests today.

#### **EDUCATION**

Educating Houston: 1836–2011 explores the beginnings of education in Houston from its earliest forays into a cluster of institutions that today serve the fourth largest city in the United States.

#### **GOVERNMENT**

Building the Greater Good: 175 years of Civic Leadership in the Bayou City is curated by Betty Chapman and designed by Mark Ellis. This exhibition, through images and abundant textual documentation, shows that throughout Houston's history its municipal government has had a significant impact on the Bayou City's cultural, societal, and commercial success.

#### MEDICINE

This exhibit focuses on the development of the Texas Medical Center from its land purchase from the city and establishment of the M.D. Anderson Foundation (1936) to construction of the first buildings Hermann Hospital (1925) and Baylor College of Medicine (1947).

#### **PEOPLE**

How can an art exhibit reflect the people of Houston as the city celebrates its 175th anniversary? When confronted with this question, the staff at FotoFest and Houston Center for Photography turned to contemporary artists who have created bodies of work about the people of Houston to create PEOPLE: Contemporary Photographers Looking at Houston. These photographers explore the cultures, sub-cultures, interest groups, and leaders that make up the intricate and diverse fabric of Houston.

#### **SPORTS**

This exhibition will have a time line of sports activities and clubs from Houston's early bicycle and fishing clubs, amateur teams, and early professional teams, and college teams. The timeline will mark significant sports events until today. A special section of the exhibition will be mounted for each of Houston's current teams: the Astros, Rockets, Texans, Dynamos, and Aeros.

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

While Houston may be well-known as an oil town, Houston's history as a hub for transportation continues to color our local culture and economy. Once a landing place on the bayou for cargo ferried inland from the Gulf of Mexico, our city continuously transformed itself until it eventually became the home of NASA. The Houston Public Library (HPL) will present From Draft Horse to NASA: 175 Years of Transportation in Houston exploring the history of transportation in our city. Images and ephemera from the collections of the

For more information on any of these exhibits, please visit **www.houston175.org.** 

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#### **Houston 175: Celebrate History**

anniversary with weekend of activities and exhibits to The opening of ten exhibitions celebrating city government, architecture, arts, commerce, transportation, education, medicine, people, public spaces/public art, and sports in Houston will create an extraordinary look at the city's evolution into the 21st Century. Also marking the anniversary of the founding of Houston is

please visit www.houston175.org.

#### Saturday, October 29, 2011

History Crawl featuring 10a.m. - 5 p.m.

Architecture Arts Commerce

Education Government

Medicine People

Sports

**Transportation** 

### Sunday, October 30, 2011

Houston 175 Historic Cemetery Tour; 12p.m. - 4p.m. [For more information, visit www.HoustonPreservation.org]

#### **PARKING**

Make visiting the History Crawl exhibits located in downtown a snap by purchasing a Downtown Hopper Pass for only \$6. Available at any pay station, the pass allows you to park at multiple metered spaces throughout the day. The time limits for each meter still apply. Or enjoy the FREE Houston 175 History Crawl Trolley connecting the downtown exhibits. Trolley rolls from 10 am to 5 pm with the last pick-up at 4:30 pm.

#### ARCHITECTURE

Architecture Center Houston 315 Capitol Street corner of Bagby

space125gallery, Houston Arts Alliance 3201 Allen Parkway

#### COMMERCE

Museum of Printing History Lobby Gallery 1324 West Clay

#### EDUCATION

Willow Street Pump Station 811 North San Jacinto University of Houston - Downtown

#### GOVERNMENT

Houston City Hall Tunnel to City Hall Annex 901 Bagby

#### MEDICINE

John P. McGovern Commons First Floor 6550 Bertner Avenue

#### PEOPLE

One Allen Center - 500 Dallas Two Allen Center - 1200 Smith Enter Doubletree Hotel for access, 400 Dallas downtown

George R. Brown Convention Center Exhibit Hall E, second Level by Starbucks, immediately next to Hilton Hotel Parking Garage or enter from street level

#### TRANSPORTATION

Houston Public Library, Central Library Art Gallery Jesse H. Jones building, first floor 500 McKinney

